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November 27, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPTION OF A RATE ORDINANCE
ESTABLISHING FEE AND CHARGE RATES FOR
THE CALABASAS LANDFILL REFUSE DISPOSAL FACILITY
(THIRD DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Adopt the Ordinance establishing fee and charge rates at the Calabasas Landfill refuse disposal facility, effective as of January 1, 2008.
2. Find that these actions are statutorily exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act as discussed herein.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the above recommendations will authorize an increase to the existing fee and charge rates prescribed for waste disposal at the County-owned Calabasas Landfill (the "Landfill"). Based on advice and information from the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, it is proposed that the total rate charged for the disposal of municipal solid and inert waste (the "MSW Rate") at the Landfill be raised from \$33.38 per ton to \$36.42 per ton, effective January 1, 2008. This change to the fee structure is necessary in order to meet the operating needs of the Landfill and to ensure that revenues remain sufficient to fund principal and interest payments on the Landfill's outstanding debt obligations.

The County's authority to set rates at the Landfill was established in connection with the sale of \$38,475,000 in Bonds (defined below) to fund essential capital projects at the Landfill. These Bonds were authorized by your Board on November 22, 2005, and subsequently issued on January 5, 2006. As a condition to this issuance, the rate-setting authority at the Landfill was transferred from County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County (the "District") to the County. The District has retained its role as operator of the Landfill and continues to oversee the day-to-day management of the facility. The rates proposed for January 1, 2008 are the result of consultation between staff from the District and staff from my office. As the operator of the Landfill, the District has provided detailed financial information regarding Landfill operations and the feasibility of raising rates at this location. The fee and charge rates established by the attached Ordinance are those recommended by the District. They are intended to support the ongoing operation, maintenance, capital expenditures, and debt service associated with the Landfill for calendar year 2008. A summary of these recommendations was presented to the Board of Directors of the Sanitation Districts in a September 21, 2007 letter from the District's Chief Engineer and General Manager. A copy of this letter is attached as Exhibit A.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action supports the County of Los Angeles Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility by providing for the timely repayment of outstanding bond obligations. It supports the Strategic Plan Goal of Organizational Effectiveness through collaborative actions between the County and other local jurisdictions, including the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County.

FISCAL IMPACT / FINANCING

The proposed rate structure for the Landfill has been established such that the annual debt service on the Bonds will not exceed the projected net revenues of the Landfill. A detailed analysis of future landfill operations indicates that a \$3.04/ton increase to the MSW Rate, effective January 1, 2008, should be sufficient to meet the debt service requirements of the Bonds for calendar year 2008. To the extent that net revenues from the landfill prove insufficient to pay the debt obligations, the County has covenanted to pay the required debt service from any source of legally available funds, including the County General Fund. While there are many factors that could negatively impact the Landfill's financial condition, there are three in particular that my office will monitor closely in 2008. These include a potential decline in solid waste volume, an increase to employee benefit costs of the District, and possible regulatory changes to closure and postclosure funding requirements. Should one or more of these items warrant additional

attention during the coming year, we will report back to your Board with a revised fiscal analysis.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS / LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Calabasas Landfill Project

On January 5, 2006, the Los Angeles County Public Works Financing Authority issued \$38,475,000 in lease revenue bonds (the "Bonds") in order to finance essential capital improvement projects at the Landfill. These projects are necessary to maintain compliance with statutory regulations and to provide for the continued operation of the Landfill. The sale of the Bonds provided funding to prepare the remaining undeveloped areas of the Landfill for future refuse disposal operations. As authorized by your Board, the Bonds were structured as a lease revenue transaction whereby the County agreed to pay any debt service obligation that could not be funded by revenues of the Landfill. To mitigate against the possibility that the County would have to fund some or all of any debt service payment, the County and the District agreed that future charge rates at the Landfill would require the approval of your Board.

Landfill Operations

The operation of the Landfill is governed by an Amended Joint Powers Agreement between the County and the District, dated April 1, 1966 (the "Agreement"). The Fourth Amendment to this Agreement was approved by your Board on December 5, 2005 and provided that "prices" to be charged for the disposal of refuse at the Landfill are to be determined by the County "after consultation with and advisement by the District." The Fourth Amendment specifically required that "prices" be established by the County such that net revenues from the landfill will be sufficient to meet the debt service requirements of the Bonds. The ongoing operation of the Landfill, including the management of capital projects funded by the Bonds, was unaffected by the Fourth Amendment and remained the responsibility of the District.

Historical Rate Increases

The proposed change to the fee and charge rates at the Landfill represents the sixth such increase to occur within the prior five years. A summary of these rate increases is provided in the table below:

TYPES OF WASTE	11/1/03	4/1/05	7/1/05	1/1/06	1/1/07	1/1/08
Municipal Solid & Inert Waste (MSW)	\$26.35	\$28.57	\$29.67	\$31.17	\$33.38	\$36.42
Hard to Handle Bulk Items	32.40	35.72	36.82	38.32	40.53	44.39
Tires	45.60	52.77	53.87	59.77	66.38	80.42
Special Handling	40.10	42.32	43.42	44.92	47.13	52.92
Minimum Charge (small items)	25.25	27.50	28.00	29.50	31.75	34.75
Pull-Offs (unloading charge)	25.85	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	33.00

Of the six rate categories referenced above, the MSW Rate is by far the most significant in that approximately ninety percent (90%) of all revenues at the Landfill result from the disposal of municipal solid and inert waste. The proposed \$3.04 per ton increase to the MSW Rate is comprised of \$2.75 per ton for the capital, operating and debt service needs of the Landfill, \$0.28 per ton for the Business License Tax and \$0.01 per ton for increases in regulatory fees. The \$14.04 per ton increase to the Tires disposal rate is recommended to help offset the dramatically increased cost of managing tires. Any charge rates not specifically referenced above, or in the attached Ordinance, will be determined by the operator of the Landfill at the time of disposal. Such rate categories, including but not limited to segregated uncontaminated green waste, have been reviewed by staff in my office and do not have a material impact on the revenues of the Landfill.

Negative Declaration/Environmental Impact Report

Your Board's adoption of the proposed Ordinance is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15273 of the State CEQA Guidelines for Implementation. CEQA provides for an exemption from environmental review for specific activities that are deemed not to have a significant impact on the environment. The attached Ordinance meets this exemption given that the proposed modifications apply solely to solid waste disposal rates that generate monies for the purpose of: 1) meeting operating expenses; 2) equipment purchases and; 3) capital projects necessary to maintain services within an existing service area.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Adoption of the proposed Ordinance will provide for the timely payment of debt service obligations associated with the Landfill and will allow for the continued operation of this waste management facility.

CONCLUSION

Upon adoption of the Ordinance, please return two stamped copies of the Board Letter and two certified copies of the Minute Order to the office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark J. Saladino", with a stylized flourish at the end.

MARK J. SALADINO
Treasurer and Tax Collector

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Attachments

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Chief Engineer and General Manager

September 21, 2007

File No: 31R-50.10

Boards of Directors
 County Sanitation Districts
 of Los Angeles County

Directors:

Solid Waste Management Facilities Rates

Proposed tipping fee rate increases at all of the solid waste management facilities have been discussed with the Directors at recent Board meetings. District No. 2, acting in its capacity as the administrative District for the Solid Waste Management Systems, will have on its September 26, 2007, agenda the approval of new solid waste disposal rates. Three proposed ordinances, attached for your review, will be considered. The first, a three-year ordinance, would set new rates for the Puente Hills Landfill, Puente Hills Materials Recovery Facility (MRF), South Gate Transfer Station, and the Downey Area Recycling and Transfer (DART) Facility. The second, a one-year ordinance, would set new rates for the Scholl Canyon Landfill. Lastly, District No. 2 will consider adoption of an ordinance that establishes new maximum rates at the Southeast Resource Recovery Facility (SERRF). Although no action is required by the Districts regarding the Calabasas Landfill since the County of Los Angeles is responsible for rate setting at that facility, rates to be recommended to the County for adoption in the near future are presented in this letter.

Districts Solid Waste Management System Facilities

With the closure of the Puente Hills Landfill scheduled for late 2013, the Districts have made substantial progress on the development of a waste-by-rail system for delivery of waste to the remote Mesquite Regional Landfill (MRL) in Imperial County. The infrastructure development includes capital improvements at the MRL to enable the site to accept waste in the near future. Specific projects at the site include installation of utilities such as water and power supply systems, a groundwater monitoring system, construction of rail facilities, road and drainage facilities, site buildings, a groundwater protection liner for initial operations, and ancillary facilities. A site for a local intermodal facility, to be located near the Puente Hills MRF, is currently undergoing review by the City of Industry pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This facility would allow for containers to be loaded onto trains that will transport the waste to the MRL. As part of the overall operation, it will be necessary to purchase and/or lease rail containers and other needed rail equipment. The development of additional materials recovery facilities and intermodal facilities may eventually become necessary.

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Because of the remote location of the MRL and the use of rail transportation, future solid waste management rates will be significantly higher than current rates. In order to avoid sudden large increases in tipping fees when the waste-by-rail program commences operation, a cost transition program was developed and endorsed by the Boards. Under this program, the rates at the Puente Hills Landfill include amounts to be set aside in a cost transition fund. Additionally, other monies (most notably gas-to-energy revenues) will be placed in the cost transition fund. The cost transition fund will be used to both finance the construction of the waste-by-rail system and to subsidize the operation of the waste-by-rail system in its early years, resulting in a gradual increase in tipping fees.

The attached Table 1 for the Districts Solid Waste Management System facilities presents the current tipping fees and recommended new tipping fees for the next three years. The Municipal Solid and Inert Waste rate at the Puente Hills Landfill and at the Puente Hills MRF is recommended to increase from the current rate of \$26.21 per ton by \$3.20 per ton, plus \$0.01 per ton for a recent increase in the County Department of Public Health's Regulatory Service Fee, to \$29.42 per ton, effective January 1, 2008. Subsequently, the rate is recommended to increase by \$3.80 per ton to \$33.22 per ton, effective January 1, 2009, and then by \$4.40 per ton to \$37.62 per ton, effective January 1, 2010. Related increases in the rate categories of minimum, hard-to-handle, tires, and special handling are also recommended. Additional recommended increases in the hard-to-handle, tires, and special handling rates, and in the pull-off charge, are described later in this letter. The tipping fees for segregated uncontaminated loads of green waste are recommended to increase by \$2.20 per ton to reflect the increased costs of providing this service. The rates at the South Gate Transfer Station and the DART Facility are also recommended to increase in conjunction with the increases at the Puente Hills Landfill and the Puente Hills MRF, including the rates for green waste at the DART Facility.

In order to comply with the Puente Hills Landfill Waste Plan Conformance Agreement, an agreement that the Districts were required to execute pursuant to provisions in the conditional use permit, the ordinance establishing the rates at the Districts System facilities includes special rates for bulky items and waste tires that are available to residents within one mile of the Puente Hills Landfill property boundary. Residents can bring one bulky item, such as household furniture, furnishings, mattresses, and appliances, per year per residence to the Puente Hills MRF for a charge of \$10.00. Once per year per residence, residents can also bring up to four tires to the Puente Hills MRF for a charge of \$1.00 for small tires (16 inches or less) and \$5.00 for large tires (greater than 16 inches).

Scholl Canyon Landfill

The Scholl Canyon Landfill is part of the County Solid Waste Management System and is owned by the City of Glendale (approximately 90%) and by the County of Los Angeles (approximately 10%). The Districts operate the landfill pursuant to an agreement among the Districts, the City of Glendale, and the County of Los Angeles. The landfill serves a watershed established by a City of Glendale ordinance, as of December 28, 1987, that limits access to the facility to the cities of Glendale, La Cañada Flintridge, Pasadena, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South Pasadena, and the unincorporated communities of Altadena, La Crescenta, Montrose, and East Pasadena. Collectively, the City of Glendale, the County of Los Angeles, and the State of California impose fees and taxes such that only approximately 48% of the landfill revenue generated from disposal fees is retained by the Districts to pay for the operation, maintenance, and capital costs of the landfill.

Due to increased operating and capital costs, it is recommended that the Municipal Solid and Inert Waste Rate be increased from the current rate of \$36.93 per ton to \$40.07 per ton, effective January 1, 2008. The increase of \$3.14 per ton is comprised of \$1.50 per ton for capital and operating expenses, \$1.00 per ton for the lease payment to Glendale (based on gross receipts), \$0.63 per ton for Glendale's host fee, and \$0.01 per ton for the increase in the County Department of Public Health's Regulatory

Service Fee. Related increases in the rate categories of minimum, hard-to-handle, and special handling are also recommended. Additional recommended increases in the hard-to-handle and special handling rates, and in the pull-off charge, are described later in this letter. It is recommended that the rate for tires at the Scholl Canyon Landfill be increased to **\$83.82 per ton** to offset increased costs for managing tires. Tires accepted at the landfill are transported off-site for processing and disposal or recovery. The tipping fees for segregated uncontaminated loads of green waste are recommended to increase by **\$2.50 per ton** to reflect the increased costs of providing this service. The current and recommended new rates are shown in Table 2 for the County Solid Waste Management System facilities.

SERRF

The Districts are participants in SERRF and are responsible for establishing maximum rates for the facility as provided for in the Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Long Beach. Approximately 60% of the waste delivered to SERRF originates from the cities of Long Beach and Lakewood pursuant to agreements that establish rates for these cities. The remaining waste delivered to the facility pays the posted rate and generally is brought to the facility to take advantage of AB 939 diversion credits. The maximum rates for the facility are established by ordinance and the Districts' Chief Engineer and General Manager has authority to direct the city to set actual rates at a level at or below the maximum rates. It is recommended that the maximum per ton fee for SERRF be increased from **\$50.00 per ton** to **\$65.00 per ton** and that the maximum per-load special handling fee be increased from **\$480 per load** to **\$510 per load** as requested by the City.

Calabasas Landfill

The Calabasas Landfill is also part of the County Solid Waste Management System, and is owned by the County of Los Angeles. The Districts operate the landfill pursuant to an agreement between the Districts and the County of Los Angeles. The landfill serves a watershed established by County ordinance, which limits access to the facility to a specific area in the southwest San Fernando Valley and southeast Ventura County. The District No. 2 Board of Directors, on November 16, 2005, approved changes to the agreements between the County and the Districts regarding responsibilities relating to the operation and administration of the Calabasas Landfill.

One of the changes to the agreements addressed funding for capital improvements necessary to utilize the site's full permitted capacity, allowing the costs of the improvements to be spread over the life of the landfill. The County, as owner of the site, incurred bonded indebtedness, through the Los Angeles County Public Works Financing Authority, to pay for the necessary capital improvements at the landfill. Although landfill revenue in excess of operation and maintenance expenses is pledged toward debt repayment, the County has the sole responsibility for the bonded indebtedness, even if a shortfall in landfill revenue occurs. Because of this, the County assumed responsibility under the amended agreement for setting the tipping fees at the landfill. The Districts act solely as an advisor on the rates that would be necessary to generate sufficient revenue to pay for operation, maintenance, capital, and debt service.

The Districts and County's staff have conferred with respect to the rates necessary to support the operation, maintenance, capital expenditures, and debt service of the Calabasas Landfill. The Districts advised the County that the Municipal Solid and Inert Waste rate at the Calabasas Landfill should be increased from the current rate of **\$33.38 per ton** to **\$36.42 per ton**, effective on, or around January 1, 2008. The increase of **\$3.04 per ton** would be comprised of **\$2.75 per ton** for capital and operating expenses of the landfill, including debt service, **\$0.28 per ton** for the County's Business License Tax (10%), and **\$0.01 per ton** for the increase in the County Department of Public Health's Regulatory Service Fee. Related increases in the rate categories of minimum, hard-to-handle, tires, and special handling were also recommended. The County was also advised that the tipping fees for segregated uncontaminated

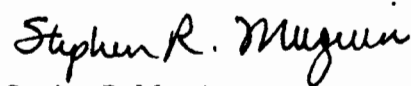
loads of green waste should be increased by \$2.20 per ton to reflect the increased costs of providing this service. The current and recommended new rates are shown, for informational purposes, in Table 2.

Hard to Handle, Tires, Special Handling, and Pull Off Charges

Additional increases in the tipping fee rates for hard-to-handle, tires, and special handling, and in the pull-off charge, are also recommended. The base rates for hard-to-handle, bulky items are recommended to increase by an additional \$0.75 per ton to offset increased costs for handling these types of waste. The base rate for handling tires at the Puente Hills Landfill is recommended to increase by an additional \$3.00 per ton to offset increases in the extra costs to handle tires. The County has been advised that the base rate for tires at the Calabasas Landfill should be increased by an additional \$10.00 per ton to cover the extra costs of handling tires at this site. The base rates for special handling are recommended to increase by an additional \$2.50 per ton and the base charge for the pull-off service is recommended to increase by an additional \$5.00 to offset increased costs. In addition to the increases to the base rates, the new rates shown on the attached tables also include the amounts necessary for the County's Business License Tax and the lease payment and host fee to the City of Glendale, where applicable, related to these charges.

If you have any questions concerning the recommended rates shown on the attachments, please contact me or Mr. John Gullledge, Head, Financial Planning Department at 562-699-7411 x2401.

Very truly yours,



Stephen R. Maguin

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Attachments

TABLE 1
COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES RATES
(Districts System)

	<u>PRESENT RATE</u>	<u>RATE</u> <u>JANUARY 1, 2008</u>	<u>RATE</u> <u>JANUARY 1, 2009</u>	<u>RATE</u> <u>JANUARY 1, 2010</u>
<u>PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL</u>				
Municipal Solid and Inert Waste	\$26.21 /ton	\$29.42 /ton	\$33.22 /ton	\$37.62 /ton
Hard-to-Handle, Bulky Items	\$33.36 /ton	\$37.40 /ton	\$41.20 /ton	\$45.60 /ton
Tires	\$66.91 /ton	\$73.42 /ton	\$77.22 /ton	\$81.62 /ton
Special Handling	\$48.21 /ton	\$54.17 /ton	\$57.97 /ton	\$62.37 /ton
Minimum Charge	\$25.00 per load	\$28.25 per load	\$32.00 per load	\$36.50 per load
Pull-Offs	\$27.50 each	\$33.00 each	\$33.00 each	\$33.00 each
Segregated Uncontaminated Green Waste*	\$12.10 /ton	\$14.30 /ton	--	--
- Minimum Charge (Segregated Uncontaminated Green Waste)	\$12.10 per load	\$14.30 per load	--	--
<u>PUENTE HILLS MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY (MRF)</u>				
Municipal Solid and Inert Waste	\$26.21 /ton	\$29.42 /ton	\$33.22 /ton	\$37.62 /ton
Hard-to-Handle, Bulky Items	\$33.36 /ton	\$37.40 /ton	\$41.20 /ton	\$45.60 /ton
Minimum Charge	\$25.00 per load	\$28.25 per load	\$32.00 per load	\$36.50 per load
<u>SOUTH GATE TRANSFER STATION</u>				
Municipal Solid and Inert Waste	\$38.33 /ton	\$41.54 /ton	\$45.34 /ton	\$49.74 /ton
Hard-to-Handle, Bulky Items	\$44.83 /ton	\$48.79 /ton	\$52.59 /ton	\$56.99 /ton
Minimum Charge	\$25.50 per load	\$28.75 per load	\$32.50 per load	\$37.00 per load
<u>DOWNEY AREA RECYCLING AND TRANSFER (DART) FACILITY</u>				
Municipal Solid and Inert Waste	\$42.10 /ton	\$45.31 /ton	\$49.11 /ton	\$53.51 /ton
Hard-to-Handle, Bulky Items	\$48.60 /ton	\$52.56 /ton	\$56.36 /ton	\$60.76 /ton
Minimum Charge	\$25.50 per load	\$28.75 per load	\$32.50 per load	\$37.00 per load
Segregated Uncontaminated Green Waste*	\$28.10 /ton	\$30.30 /ton	--	--
- Minimum Charge (Segregated Uncontaminated Green Waste)	\$14.05 per load	\$15.15 per load	--	--

*The rate ordinance authorizes the Chief Engineer and General Manager to set a reduced rate for the acceptance of beneficial materials such as segregated uncontaminated green waste

Uncovered Loads Capable of Producing Litter: All sites - \$4.40/ton surcharge; \$4.40 minimum

Non-manifested Tire Loads: Puente Hills Landfill - \$4.40/ton surcharge; \$4.40 minimum

All rates include the following state, county and local fees and taxes (fees expressed on a per ton basis do not apply to green waste and pull-offs):

California Integrated Solid Waste Management Fee:	\$1.40 per ton
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Fee:	\$0.86 per ton
Los Angeles County Department of Health Services Regulatory Service Fee:	\$0.21 per ton

Los Angeles County Business License Tax (unincorporated county area only)
Puente Hills Landfill:

10% of gross receipts excluding state and local fees and taxes

Rates at the Southeast Resource Recovery Facility and the Commerce Refuse-to-Energy Facility are set as authorized in the Joint Powers Agreements that govern the facilities.

TABLE 2
COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES RATES
(County System)

	<u>PRESENT RATE</u>	<u>RATE</u> <u>JANUARY 1, 2008</u>
<u>SCHOLL CANYON LANDFILL</u>		
Municipal Solid and Inert Waste	\$36.93 /ton	\$40.07 /ton
Hard-to-Handle, Bulky Items	\$45.05 /ton	\$49.13 /ton
Tires	\$70.30 /ton	\$83.82 /ton
Special Handling	\$51.62 /ton	\$57.88 /ton
Minimum Charge	\$36.25 per load	\$39.25 per load
Pull-Offs	\$31.25 each	\$40.00 each
Segregated Uncontaminated Green Waste*	\$13.75 /ton	\$16.25 /ton
- Minimum Charge (Segregated Uncontaminated Green Waste)	\$13.75 per load	\$16.25 per load
	<u>PRESENT RATE</u>	<u>RATE</u> <u>JANUARY 1, 2008**</u>
<u>CALABASAS LANDFILL</u>		
Municipal Solid and Inert Waste	\$33.38 /ton	\$36.42 /ton
Hard-to-Handle, Bulky Items	\$40.53 /ton	\$44.39 /ton
Tires	\$66.38 /ton	\$80.42 /ton
Special Handling	\$47.13 /ton	\$52.92 /ton
Minimum Charge	\$31.75 per load	\$34.75 per load
Pull-Offs	\$27.50 each	\$33.00 each
Segregated Uncontaminated Green Waste	\$13.20 /ton	\$15.40 /ton
- Minimum Charge (Segregated Uncontaminated Green Waste)	\$13.20 per load	\$15.40 per load

*The Joint Powers Agreement for the Scholl Canyon Landfill allows the Chief Engineer and General Manager, in accordance with the rate ordinance, to set a reduced rate for the acceptance of beneficial materials such as segregated uncontaminated green waste after consultation with the staffs of the City of Glendale and the County of Los Angeles

**Rates recommended to County of Los Angeles for adoption effective January 1, 2008

Uncovered Loads Capable of Producing Litter: Calabasas Landfill - \$4.40/ton surcharge; \$4.40 minimum
Scholl Canyon Landfill - \$5.00/ton surcharge; \$5.00 minimum

Non-manifested Tire Loads: Calabasas Landfill - \$4.40/ton surcharge; \$4.40 minimum
Scholl Canyon Landfill - \$5.00/ton surcharge; \$5.00 minimum

All rates include the following state, county and local fees and taxes (fees expressed on a per ton basis do not apply to green waste and pull-offs):

California Integrated Solid Waste Management Fee:	\$1.40 per ton
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Fee:	\$0.86 per ton
Los Angeles County Department of Health Services Regulatory Service Fee:	\$0.21 per ton

Los Angeles County Business License Tax (unincorporated county area only)
Calabasas Landfill:

10% of gross receipts excluding state and local fees and taxes

City of Glendale Host Fee Assessment (vehicles owned and operated by the City of Glendale are exempt)
Scholl Canyon Landfill:

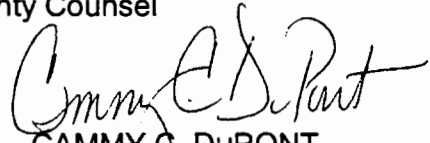
25% of gross receipts

ANALYSIS

This ordinance amends Title 12 – Environmental Protection of the Los Angeles County Code to increase fees and charge rates for the Calabasas Landfill refuse disposal facility, effective as of January 1, 2008.

RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.
County Counsel

By



CAMMY C. DUPONT
Principal Deputy County Counsel
Government Services Division

CCD:plp

10/18/07 (Requested)

10/31/07 (Revised)

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance amending Title 12 – Environmental Protection of the Los Angeles County Code, relating to setting fee and charge rates for the Calabasas Landfill refuse disposal facility.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 12.48.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12.48.050 Fee and charge rates.

Effective January 1, 2007~~8~~, the following fee and charge rates will be prescribed for waste disposal at the Calabasas Landfill:

A. Types of Waste:

Types of Waste:	Rates:
Municipal Solid and Inert Waste	\$33.38 <u>36.42</u> /ton
Hard to Handle Bulky Items	\$40.53 <u>44.39</u> /ton
Tires	\$66.38 <u>80.42</u> /ton
Special Handling	\$47.13 <u>52.92</u> /ton
Minimum Charge	\$31.75 <u>34.75</u> per load
Pull-Offs	\$27.50 <u>33.00</u> each

B. A surcharge of \$4.40/ton, subject to a minimum charge of \$4.40, will be charged with respect to all uncovered loads capable of producing litter.

C. A surcharge of \$4.40/ton, subject to a minimum charge of \$4.40, will be charged with respect to all non-manifested tire loads.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
by
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
of
PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED FEE AND CHARGE RATES FOR
CALABASAS LANDFILL

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles will hold a public hearing on November 27, 2007 at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Room 381, Los Angeles, California. The purpose of this hearing is to discuss proposed fee and charge rates for the Calabasas Landfill and to provide the public with an opportunity to make comments regarding the rates.

The Calabasas Landfill provides solid waste management for the surrounding communities. The cost of operation and maintenance of the landfill, as well as the debt service obligation related to bonds sold for the construction of capital facilities, is borne by the users of the landfill through the collection of tipping fees. The rates are determined based on the revenues required to properly operate and maintain the facility. Rates are proposed to increase on January 1, 2008. The current and proposed rates are listed below:

<u>Type of Waste</u>	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
Municipal Solid and Inert Waste	\$33.38/ton	\$36.42/ton
Hard-to-Handle Bulky Items	\$40.53/ton	\$44.39/ton
Tires	\$66.38/ton	\$80.42/ton
Special Handling	\$47.13/ton	\$52.92/ton
Minimum Charge	\$31.75 per load	\$34.75 per load
Pull-Offs	\$27.50 each	\$33.00 each

In compliance with Government Code Section 6062(a) and Section 66018, this request for approval of the increased fee will be made after all public notification and hearing requirements have been met.

Written comments regarding the proposed fee and charge rates may also be mailed to the County of Los Angeles, 500 W. Temple St., Room 383, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Further information on the proposed fee and charge rates and the public hearing can be obtained from County staff at (213) 974-8359, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.